Fiscal Estimate - 2015 Session

Original Updated	☐ Corrected ☐	Supplemental				
LRB Number 15-3521/1	Introduction Number \$	SB-541				
Description Planting trees, shrubs or hedges on the side of certain highways						
Fiscal Effect						
Appropriations Reve		ts - May be possible nin agency's budget No sts				
Local: No Local Government Costs Indeterminate Increase Costs Permissive Mandatory Decrease Costs Decrease Revenue Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Decrease Revenue Counties Counties Others School WTCS Districts						
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS						
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LRB Number 1	5-3521/1	Introduction Number	SB-541	Estimate Type	Original	
Description						
Planting trees, shrubs or hedges on the side of certain highways						

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law provides that a person who owns land that adjoins a highway may, with the approval of the public authority maintaining the highway, plant, cultivate, and maintain trees, shrubs, or hedges on the side of the highway contiguous to and within ten feet of that person's land. Under this bill, if the owner of land that adjoins a highway is a town, the town may, with the approval of the public authority maintaining the highway, authorize another person to plant trees, shrubs, or hedges on the land.

This bill is anticipated to have no fiscal impact on DOT.

For towns, due to various unknowns, any cost differences between having the work performed by a third party, instead of the town, cannot be determined at this time. However, it is anticipated that any cost differences would be minimal.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

For towns, minimal to no impact.